

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD SUMMARY

Tuesday, June 4, 2002

SENATE

H.R. 4775 - Supplemental Appropriations Act:

Senate continued consideration of H.R. 4775, making supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto:

Pages S 4932-33, S 4934-38, S 4939-42, D 556

Adopted:

By 91 yeas to 4 nays (Vote No. 131), Byrd/Stevens Amendment No. 3557, to strike section 1004 of the bill, which would cap the amount of loan guarantees that would be available to the nation's airlines for the duration of the current year.

Pages S 4942, D 556

Pending:

Reid Amendment No. 3570, to direct the Secretary of Agriculture to carry out a certain transfer of funds.

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"... One hundred fifty-four million dollars is for cyber-security. This funding would help the private sector and Federal agencies defend themselves from cyber-attack; \$125 million for border security; \$100 million so the EPA can complete vulnerability assessments of water security systems; \$286 million for miscellaneous home and defense needs, Secret Service efforts to combat electronic crime, FBI counterterrorist efforts, courthouse security, Department of Justice information systems. We even have to look at security for visitors to Federal monuments and museums. So there is more in this legislation than I have outlined, but I am dumbfounded why people who oppose this legislation are, as my friend from Texas said, slowing down the train. This is not hurting the Democrats. It is hurting our country..." (Reid, Page S 4950)

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a cloture vote will occur on Thursday, June 6, 2002.

Pages S 4953, D 556

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 10:15 a.m., on Wednesday, June 5, 2002, and that no point of order be waived by virtue of having adopted the text of the Senate companion, **S. 2551**.

Pages S 4982, D 556

Executive Communications:

EC-7278. A communication from the Assistant Director, Office of General Counsel, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "**National Security; Prevention of Acts of Violence and Terrorism**" (**RIN1120-AB08**) received on June 3, 2002; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Memorials:

POM-247. A resolution adopted by the House of the Legislature of the State of Michigan relative to the **Federal Prison Industries Competition in Contracting Act**; to the Committee on the Judiciary. **House Resolution No. 409**

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Committee Referral -S. 2546 - Arming Pilots Against Terrorism Act:

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing that **S. 2546, *Arming Pilots Against Terrorism Act***, be discharged from the Armed Services Committee and then referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation.

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Committee Meeting for Wednesday, June 5, 2002:

Committee on Environment and Public Works: @ 10:00 a.m. To hold hearings on **S. 1586, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 to authorize the carrying of firearms by employees of licensees;** and **S. 1746, to amend the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 and the Energy Reorganization Act of 1974 to strengthen security at sensitive nuclear facilities.** SD-406.

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Remark:

Terrorism Insurance.

*"... The issue is too important to be caught up in political agendas at this stage. There are some who seek to impose greater restrictions on insurance companies. There are others who seek to use this legislation as the way to have **tort reform** as part of the bill's consideration. I encourage everyone to come to the middle and not let perfection become the enemy of the good..."*

Reid

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HOUSE

Bills Introduced:

H.R. 4861. A bill to secure the Federal voting rights of certain qualified ex-offenders who have served their sentences; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

Rangel

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H.R. 4862. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide that sexual predators on release start treatment and remain in treatment and incarcerated until cured or determined no longer to be a threat to society; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Memorials:

No. 277. A memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Alabama, relative to **House Joint Resolution 12** memorializing the United States Congress that we hereby **ratify the Seventeenth Amendment to the United States Constitution**; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

No. 278. A memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Alabama, relative to **House Joint Resolution 13** memorializing the United States Congress that we hereby **ratify the Twenty-Third Amendment to the United States Constitution**; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

No. 279. A memorial of the House of Representatives of the State of Alabama, relative to **House Joint Resolution 14** memorializing the United States Congress that we hereby **ratify the Twenty-fourth Amendment to the United States Constitution**; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Suspension - the House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measure:

H.R. 3983, Maritime Transportation Antiterrorism Act: amended, to ensure the security of maritime transportation in the United States against acts of terrorism. Subsequently the House passed S. 1214, a similar Senate-passed bill, after amending it to contain the text of H.R. 3983, as passed the House, and H.R. 3983, was then laid on the table. The House insisted on its amendment and asked for a conference with the Senate.

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Appointed as conferees from the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure for consideration of the Senate bill and the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Young of Alaska and Representatives Coble, LoBiondo, Oberstar, and Brown of Florida. From the Committee on Ways and Means, for consideration of sections 112 and 115 of the Senate bill, and section 108 of the House amendment, and modifications committed to conference: Chairman Thomas and Representatives Crane and Rangel.

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Executive Communication:

EC - 7178. A letter from the Director, Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts, transmitting the annual report on applications for court orders made to federal and state courts to permit the interception of wire, oral, or electronic communications during calendar year 2001, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. 2519(3); to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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Committee Meeting:

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime approved for full Committee action, as amended, H.R. 4598, Homeland Security Information Sharing Act. Prior to this action, the Subcommittee held a hearing on this legislation. Testimony was heard from Representatives Chambliss and Harman; and a public witness.

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Committee Meetings for Wednesday, June 5, 2002:

Committee on Government Reform: @ 10:00 a.m. Subcommittee on the District of Columbia, hearing on "Oversight Hearing on the Performance of the Court of Appeals and the Superior Court of the District of Columbia." 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary: @ 10:45 a.m. Hearing on H.R. 1253, Free Market Antitrust Immunity Reform (FAIR) Act of 2001. 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary: @ 2:00 p.m. Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on "DRM: The Consumer Benefits of Today's Digital Rights Management Solutions." 2141 Rayburn.

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Remark:

Constitutional Issues and Spending Habits of the Congress.

"...We have this thing called the federalist system of government which delegates to States all of the responsibilities for law enforcement of other activities. [] I suggest that because there have been so many attempts to federalize criminal statutes and federalize certain crimes, I should say, that we have now become bogged down in that quagmire of activity that could frankly take all of the resources that we could possibly devote and would never, ever solve the problem. We all need to know what our role is. What is the job of the Federal Government when it comes to enforcement of criminal statutes? What is the job of the counties and the cities? When each one knows what they are supposed to do, they can devote their resources to accomplishing that goal. But we have done far, far too much because we have responded, as is natural, to the requests, the demands, the political pressure, to make certain things a Federal crime..."

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Next SENATE MEETING: Wednesday, 9:15 a.m., June 5, 2002.

Next HOUSE MEETING: Wednesday, 10:00 a.m., June 5, 2002.

OLA: S. Schwarz, A. Santos